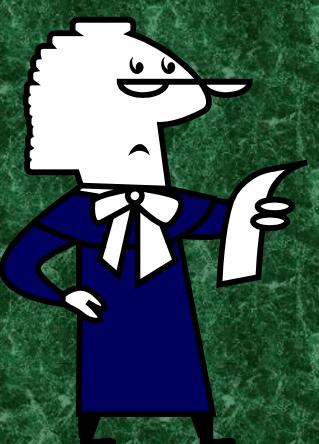
### The Attorney General and Tax Prosecutions



- Jurisdiction
  - Constitution-Art.V,§13
  - State, federal
- Resources
  - Time
  - Auditors
  - Tools

### Prosecuting Tax Crimes Where does it begin?

- Agency referrals
  - Criteria for selection
  - Level of assistance
- Attorney General requests
  - Investment/Venture Capital frauds
  - Embezzlements
  - Money Laundering

# Prosecuting Tax Crimes How are they investigated?

- Agency Assistance
- California Bureau of Investigation
- SCU Investigative Auditors



### Prosecuting Tax Crimes What kinds of crimes?

- Income Tax
  - Failing to file
  - False filing with intent to evade
- Sales Tax
  - Failure to pay tax with intent to evade
  - False filing with intent to evade
- Employer Taxes
  - Failure to file: without intent to evade
  - False filing with or without intent to evade
  - Failure to withhold or pay over

# Prosecuting Tax Crimes Reality Check: judge and juror



- Sex appeal
- Using related crimes
- Judicial objections
- Juror sensibilities

#### Prosecuting Tax Crimes Success v. Failure

- Quality of witnesses
  - Credibility of lower-level employees
- Corroboration by documents
  - Electronic evidence
- Motive
  - Looking beyond the tax issue